



GRACE ACADEMY

2020-2021 COVID-19 Protocol

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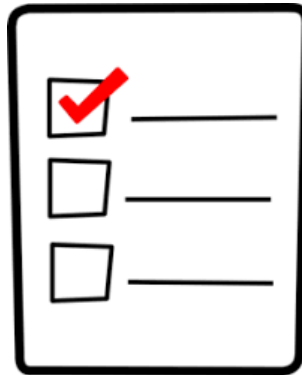
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Health & Safety Measures for COVID-19

We are thankful to be halfway through the school year with face-to-face learning. We will continue to partner with families and ask that you assist us in practicing health and safety measures included in this document.

Any COVID-19 Symptoms?

Before you come to school each day:



A rectangular box with a thick black border containing a checklist. The first item is a square box with a red checkmark inside, followed by a horizontal line. The second and third items are empty square boxes, each followed by a horizontal line.

You should check to see if you have any COVID-19 symptoms in your family.

Typical symptoms are: fever, sore throat, coughing, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell and flu like symptoms.



If you have any of these symptoms, you should stay home, check with your physician and notify the school office.

Arrival at school

When arriving at school and in the carpool line, everyone should stay in their vehicle, until staff comes to your car to take your student's head temperature. If the student has a temperature, they will not be able to come in.



Masks are required for K-12 students and staff as a best practice for keeping everyone safe and healthy.



Once in the main doors students will apply hand sanitizer to hands and be directed to go to classrooms. Hand sanitizer stations are placed throughout the building and in classrooms.



All movement and seating in the building will be done with one-way halls where possible and 6 feet social distancing.



School Day

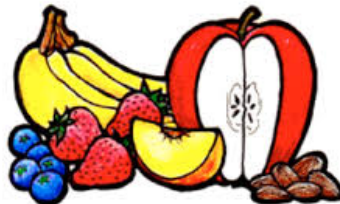
Bells are staggered for class change. Lower school students will move with a teacher to their next classes. The first bell is for K-8 grade students, the second bell is for 9-12 grade students and the third bell is for everyone to be in class.



Lockers and cubbies will not be utilized during this time. Students will need to keep backpacks and all other belongings with them at all times. Rolling book bags are allowed.



Break Time will be during class the last 10 minutes of 2nd period (10:20-10:30). Students will stay in their class for snack. We will not have a snack cart this year. Students must bring snacks from home. We ask for students to not bring peanut products and not share snacks.



Bathroom breaks will be taken with 2-3 students at a time with a staff or assistant present at the door.

Lunch for students staying for 5th period will be in their 5th period classroom.



Dismissals for carline will be from the classroom for 4th and 5th period. Students leaving after 1st, 2nd or 3rd will go to carpool when they are released from the classroom.



Students will bring their own individual supplies each day such as pencils, pens, crayons, markers, etc.



Attendance for illness or COVID exposure will not count against a student. The student will be required to make up missed work.

SCHOOL
Attendance

Teachers will utilize outdoor space when and where possible.



Upgraded Building Cleaning and Sanitizing



- HVAC system upgraded with UV filtration system
- We will utilize fog disinfectant for each room
- Added tables and desks to allow for distancing in all classes
- Removed rugs and unnecessary furniture to increase space and allow cleaning of porous surfaces.

Added Safety Measures

Smaller classes sizes due to social distancing

Visitors will be limited and will be required to wear masks and be screened for COVID symptoms.

Water Fountains are closed. We encourage students to bring water bottles from home with their name on them.



Students will wipe down their desk area before changing classes.



Extra-Curricular Activities, field trips, and other large group gatherings will be postponed until further notice



Testing Positive for Covid-19 Protocol



- The family should contact Mrs. Queen at the school, queen@graceacademync.com or 704-234-0292
- The student and their siblings that attend Grace Academy will be required to quarantine at home for a minimum of 14 days.
- The school will contact the NC Department of Health and Human services and follow their recommendations.
- The school will send an email to those possibly exposed, while maintaining required privacy.
- We will conduct a deep clean of the spaces affected.

Remoting Learning if Necessary

We do have a plan in place if remote learning becomes necessary for a limited time.



So be strong and courageous ... Do not be afraid; do not panic before them for the Lord
Your God will personally go ahead of you He will neither fail you nor abandon you.

Deuteronomy 31:7-8